# THE AGENCY RECORDS CENTER

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#### WHAT TYPES OF RECORDS ARE KEPT THERE?

### Permanent Records

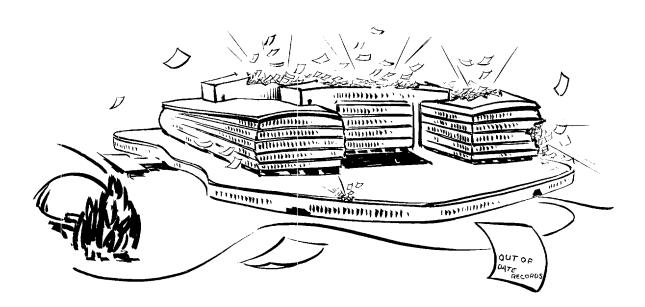
- Must be kept for a great length of time.
- Seldom used in the office.
- In many cases, must be kept because Federal law requires it.

## Disposable Records

- Disposable records are different from permanent records in that they can be destroyed. (Before any records are destroyed, however, approval of Congress must be obtained.)
- The Records Center is concerned with these disposable records which may be destroyed at some definite time in the future like five or ten years. Since all of you have the problem of storage space, you may not want to keep these records in the office until they can be destroyed. The Records Center provides space to store these records until they can be destroyed.

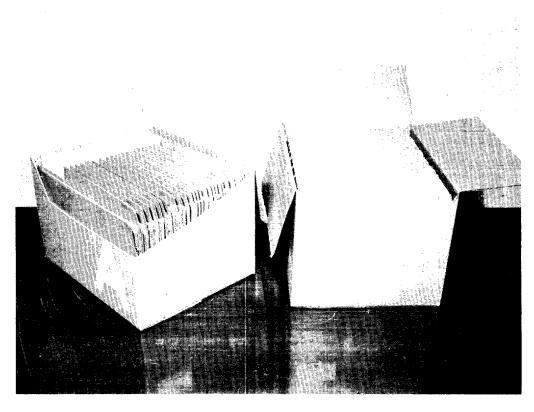
## WHAT DOES THE RECORDS CENTER DO?

- It frees space in your office now filled with seldom used records. This freed space may be used for other purposes.
- It eliminates uncontrolled storage in attics, basements, or other similar store rooms. The records in the Records Center are available for your use and they are protected.
- It makes your job easier . . . because the records are stored in a clean, neat, well-lit area which makes it pleasant for you to work on your records.



## HOW DO RECORDS GET TO THE RECORDS CENTER?

- Make arrangements with your Records Management Officer.
- Pack records in cartons which are furnished free by the Records Center. These cartons hold both letter and legal size material.
- Prepare the required forms. (Your Records Management Officer will help you prepare these forms and in packing your first shipment to the Records Center.)



RECORDS CENTER BOXES ARE USED FOR BOTH LETTER AND LEGAL SIZE MATERIAL

• List the contents of each carton on a Records Shelf List. The contents of each box should be described in enough detail so that the Records Center personnel will find the material when you need it. Careful preparation of the Records Shelf List is important because this list becomes the index for the storage of your records.

• Send one copy of the Records Shelf List to the Records Center.

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SAMPLE RECORDS SHELF LIST

• Send four copies of the Records Retirement Request to the Records Center. It will be receipted by the Records Center and one copy will be returned to your Records Management Officer.

Transportation will be arranged by the Records Center.

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SAMPLE RECORDS RETIREMENT REQUEST

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### WHAT HAPPENS AFTER YOUR RECORDS GET TO THE RECORDS CENTER?

- Your shipment is checked against the Records Retirement request and the boxes are placed on shelves.
- Special care is taken that records of your office are available only to approved people in your office.
- The Records Center provides:

desk space to examine the records

transportation for the records back to your office if you need them

quick information over the phone about your records

a fireproof building

alarm system and heavy steel all entrances protected by vault doors

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guard service when the Records Center is closed

THE RECORDS CENTER IS A SERVICE PROVIDED FOR YOU!

YOU ARE INVITED TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS THRU YOUR RECORDS MANAGEMENT OFFICER TO VISIT THE RECORDS CENTER AT ANY TIME

COME IN AND SEE THE SERVICES AND FACILITIES THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU AT NO COST